

Remarks and Arguments

Applicant has carefully considered the Office Action dated September 21, 2005 and the references cited therein. Applicant respectfully requests reexamination and reconsideration of the application.

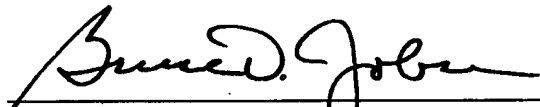
The various combination claims have been rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Konstad and/or under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Konstad. Applicant's have amended the claims. Specifically, claim 1 now recites a system for cooling electronic components comprising "a shroud defining an interior cavity and attachable to the surface so as to form an airflow path between the shroud and the surface when attached, the interior cavity having a first end sized to receive a heat sink therein and a second end sized substantially the same as one of the first port and second port" (Claim 1, lines 11-14). Konstad does not disclose, teach or suggest a shroud that defines an interior cavity which collectively defines an airflow path with the surface when the shroud is attached to the surface, and which is capable of channeling air flow between one of the blower ports and the heat sink. Nor does Konstad disclose, teach or suggest a shroud interior cavity having an end into which a heat sink can be received. Surely the examiner can appreciate the distinction between the support member 309 of Konstad and the shroud, as currently claimed. The support member 309 as disclosed does not receive a heat sink into any portion thereof. Nor does the support member 309 when attached to a surface define an airflow channel, as now claimed. In light of the foregoing amendment, Applicant respectfully asserts that claim 1 is neither anticipated by nor obvious in light of Konstad, whether considered singularly or in combination with any other art of record. Claims 2-5 include all of the limitations of claim 1 and are likewise believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 1, as well as for the merits of their own respective limitations.

Claims 6, 16, 27, and 42 have been amended to include language similar to claim 1 (claim 6, lines 11-14; claim 16, lines 13-16; claim 27, lines 13-16; and claim 42, lines 8-12), and, along with their respective dependent claims, are likewise allowable over Konstad, for at least the same reasons as claim 1, as well as for the merits of their

own respective limitations. Additional amendments have been made to claims 10, 12, and 23, in light of the amendments to their respective dependent claims.

Applicants believe the claims are in allowable condition. A notice of allowance for this application is solicited earnestly. If the Examiner has any further questions regarding this amendment, he/she is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the number listed below. The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any balances under 37 CFR §1.17, and 1.16 to Deposit Account No. 02-3038.

Respectfully submitted,



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